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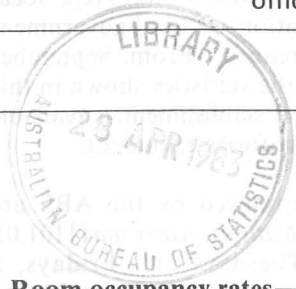
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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER QUARTER 1982

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MAIN FEATURES

	Dec. Quarter 1981			Dec. Quarter 1982		
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	(per cent)					
Room occupancy rates—						
Licensed hotels with facilities	61.4	56.6	44.9	54.2	50.7	41.1
Motels, etc.	64.8	57.7	50.7	59.2	52.3	45.9
Site occupancy rates—						
Caravan parks	21.0	19.9	32.6	21.7	20.5	33.3

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains results, for Australia and each State and Territory, of the quarterly surveys of tourist accommodation establishments.

Scope and coverage

2. For the purposes of this survey, a *tourist accommodation establishment* is defined as an establishment which predominantly provides short term accommodation (i.e. for periods of less than 2 months) available to the general public.

3. The scope of the survey may vary from time to time depending upon the needs of users of the statistics and on the ABS resources available to undertake the surveys. The types of establishments currently included in the survey are:

- (a) *Licensed hotel with facilities.* A tourist accommodation establishment which is licensed to operate a public bar, provides bath or shower and toilet in most guest rooms, and has breakfast available for guests.
- (b) *Licensed or unlicensed motel, private hotel or guest house with facilities.* A tourist accommodation establishment which provides bath or shower and toilet in most guest rooms and has breakfast available for guests but is not licensed to operate a public bar. This category also includes motels that are licensed to serve liquor with meals.

(c) *Caravan park.* A tourist accommodation establishment which provides powered sites for caravans and toilet, shower and laundry facilities for guests.

Definitions

4. *Number of establishments* refers to the number of tourist accommodation establishments within the scope of the survey which operated during the survey period. Establishments comprising more than one type of accommodation activity referred to in paragraph 3 above (e.g. a motel with attached caravan park) are treated as two separate establishments. Included are those establishments which operated for any part of the quarter or which closed temporarily for the quarter because of seasonal reasons.

5. *Guest rooms* refers to the maximum number of rooms, units, suites, etc. available for accommodating paying guests at hotels and motels with facilities during the survey period.

6. *Bed spaces* refers to the maximum number of guests that could be accommodated in beds normally in place (excluding cots) at hotels and motels with facilities during the survey period. Three-quarter beds are classified as single beds; double beds are counted as 2 bed spaces.

7. *Powered sites* refers to the maximum number of sites with provision for connection to electric power supply, available at caravan parks for accommodating paying guests during the survey period. Included are powered sites occupied by on-site vans.

8. *Unpowered sites* refers to the maximum number of sites with no provision for connection to electric power supply, available at caravan parks for accommodating paying guests during the survey period.

9. *Cabins, flats, etc.* refers to the maximum number of cabins, flats, units and villas available at caravan parks for accommodating paying guests during the survey period.

10. *Total caravan park capacity* refers to the maximum number of on-site vans, other powered sites, unpowered sites and cabins, flats, etc. available at caravan parks for accommodating paying guests during the survey period.

11. *Room occupancy rate* refers to the proportion of guest rooms occupied in hotels and motels with facilities to the number of guest rooms available during the survey period expressed as a percentage.

12. *Bed occupancy rate* refers to the proportion of bed spaces occupied in hotels and motels with facilities to the number of bed spaces available during the survey period expressed as a percentage.

13. *Site occupancy rate* refers to the proportion of sites occupied in caravan parks to the total caravan park capacity available during the survey period expressed as a percentage.

14. *Takings from accommodation* refers to revenue received from the provision of short term and long term accommodation at the tourist accommodation establishment. Where meals and accommodation were a combined charge an estimate of takings from meals was excluded. Takings from accommodation for each month represent the takings received during that month. In the case of some establishments payments may be made in advance of, or may be received after the provision of accommodation to guests and therefore the monthly figure for takings from accommodation may not necessarily bear a direct relationship to the number of guests accommodated during the month. Rental and storage fees paid to caravan parks for the keeping of private vans in parks are included in the takings of the month they are received.

15. *Employment.* Details of the numbers of persons working at tourist accommodation establishments (including those working on other than accommodation activities) have not been included in this publication. However, data are available upon request from the ABS.

Related publications

16. Publications for Australia, and each State and Territory, are released by the respective offices of the ABS. Tourist accommodation statistics for past quarters are available in earlier publications commencing with the September quarter 1975. These and some unpublished statistics for certain small areas within States (e.g. local government areas or combinations of local government areas) are available upon request. From September Quarter 1980 a dissection of the statistics shown in this publication, according to size of establishment, is available on request for each State (Territories excluded).

17. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

NOTE: Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

R.J. CAMERON
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TABLE I. HOTELS AND MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES : NUMBER, CAPACITY, OCCUPANCY RATES AND TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION

	New South Wales			Victoria			Queensland			South Australia			Western Australia		
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY (number)															
December quarter 1982—															
Establishments	261	1,066	1,327	176	566	742	226	629	855	118	164	282	140	136	276
Guest rooms	8,485	25,623	34,108	4,757	14,374	19,131	6,058	14,997	21,055	3,304	4,217	7,521	3,884	5,509	9,393
Bed spaces	20,255	76,868	97,123	11,170	41,289	52,459	16,324	44,700	61,024	7,624	12,801	20,425	8,101	14,608	22,709
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)															
1981—															
October	64.0	65.9	65.4	60.3	63.5	62.7	64.3	65.5	65.2	56.0	67.4	62.9	61.5	61.8	61.7
November	59.3	59.5	59.5	58.7	58.8	58.8	57.2	57.1	57.1	48.1	56.7	53.3	54.4	48.6	50.9
December	46.5	53.0	51.4	44.1	48.0	47.0	48.1	53.3	51.8	37.1	48.9	44.2	46.2	43.2	44.4
December quarter 1981	56.6	59.4	58.8	54.3	56.7	56.2	56.5	58.6	58.0	47.1	57.7	53.5	54.0	51.2	52.4
1982—															
October	52.8	59.6	57.9	55.6	58.5	57.8	56.0	58.3	57.6	51.3	63.2	58.2	56.1	59.0	57.8
November	52.9	53.6	53.4	58.1	54.8	55.7	47.1	49.0	48.4	41.8	51.5	47.3	50.8	47.5	48.8
December	41.8	46.6	45.4	43.8	45.2	44.9	41.6	46.4	45.0	35.4	47.3	42.1	41.5	41.4	41.5
December quarter 1982	49.1	53.3	52.2	52.4	52.8	52.7	48.2	51.2	50.3	42.7	54.0	49.1	49.5	49.3	49.4
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)															
1982—															
October	33.4	35.8	35.3	33.6	34.7	34.5	33.6	35.0	34.6	33.2	37.1	35.7	36.9	37.4	37.2
November	32.4	30.1	30.6	34.7	31.6	32.2	27.1	28.3	28.0	25.3	27.9	26.9	31.4	28.8	29.7
December	26.8	30.3	29.5	28.3	28.4	28.3	26.0	30.7	29.4	23.3	29.6	27.3	27.8	28.5	28.2
December quarter 1982	30.8	32.1	31.8	32.2	31.5	31.7	28.9	31.3	30.7	27.2	31.6	29.9	32.1	31.6	31.8
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$' 000)															
1982—															
October	6,953	16,933	23,886	4,270	8,346	12,616	4,711	9,679	14,390	1,703	2,792	4,495	2,595	3,344	5,939
November	6,912	14,811	21,723	4,476	7,680	12,156	3,634	7,635	11,269	1,482	2,207	3,689	2,298	2,612	4,910
December	5,427	13,703	19,129	3,192	6,711	9,903	3,325	7,615	10,941	1,294	2,099	3,392	1,834	2,396	4,230
December quarter 1982	19,291	45,447	64,739	11,938	22,737	34,675	11,670	24,929	36,600	4,479	7,098	11,576	6,727	8,352	15,079

TABLE 1. HOTELS AND MOTELS, ETC. WITH FACILITIES : NUMBER, CAPACITY, OCCUPANCY RATES AND TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION — continued

	Tasmania			Northern Territory			Australian Capital Territory			Australia		
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels, etc.	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY (number)												
December quarter 1982—												
Establishments	84	59	143	32	32	64	13	25	38	1,050	2,677	3,727
Guest rooms	2,714	1,508	4,222	776	1,265	2,041	797	1,367	2,164	30,775	68,860	99,635
Bed spaces	6,946	4,655	11,601	1,756	3,264	5,020	1,839	4,061	5,900	74,015	202,246	276,261
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)												
1981—												
October	56.7	52.9	55.3	59.8	62.5	61.5	59.8	69.1	65.5	61.4	64.8	63.8
November	57.9	53.8	56.4	52.4	57.1	55.2	56.8	64.0	61.3	56.6	57.7	57.3
December	46.0	48.8	47.0	37.4	42.2	40.3	36.6	59.1	50.5	44.9	50.7	49.0
December quarter 1981	53.5	51.8	52.9	49.8	53.9	52.3	51.0	64.1	59.1	54.3	57.7	56.7
1982—												
October	50.9	47.1	49.6	53.9	52.9	53.3	61.8	74.6	69.8	54.2	59.2	57.7
November	49.8	49.6	49.7	45.4	44.0	44.5	53.5	69.6	63.7	50.7	52.3	51.8
December	42.2	42.3	42.2	32.6	35.0	34.1	39.0	60.1	52.3	41.1	45.9	44.4
December quarter 1982	47.6	46.3	47.2	44.0	44.1	44.0	51.4	68.1	61.9	48.6	52.4	51.3
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)												
1982—												
October	34.5	29.2	32.3	33.5	30.6	31.6	40.5	47.9	45.6	34.1	35.6	35.2
November	32.3	29.8	31.3	27.2	25.0	25.8	34.5	42.9	40.3	30.6	30.0	30.1
December	29.1	27.8	28.6	20.7	21.6	21.3	27.0	41.3	36.9	26.7	29.8	29.0
December quarter 1982	31.9	28.9	30.7	27.1	25.8	26.3	34.0	44.0	40.9	30.5	31.8	31.4
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$' 000)												
1982—												
October	1,717	720	2,437	540	872	1,412	715	1,174	1,889	23,204	43,860	67,064
November	1,535	741	2,276	423	680	1,103	570	1,053	1,623	21,330	37,419	58,749
December	1,376	688	2,064	310	564	874	426	985	1,411	17,184	34,761	51,944
December quarter 1982	4,628	2,149	6,777	1,273	2,116	3,389	1,712	3,212	4,923	61,718	116,040	177,758

TABLE 2. CARAVAN PARKS : NUMBER, CAPACITY, SITE OCCUPANCY RATES AND TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION

	South Wales(a)	New Wales(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australia
ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY (number)									
December quarter 1982—									
Establishments	612	434	414	155	237	54	12	1,918	
Powered sites	52,043	36,810	22,242	12,458	13,763	2,733	686	140,735	
Unpowered sites	24,793	14,036	11,096	5,158	3,636	2,016	509	61,244	
Cabins, flats, etc.	1,205	855	699	514	461	66	39	3,839	
<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>78,041</i>	<i>51,701</i>	<i>34,037</i>	<i>18,130</i>	<i>17,860</i>	<i>4,815</i>	<i>1,234</i>	<i>205,818</i>	
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (per cent)									
1981—									
October	21.1	10.8	36.6	17.3	25.3	15.9	29.8	21.0	
November	20.3	11.7	33.6	13.2	23.0	18.8	26.0	19.9	
December	37.0	25.5	42.6	21.7	29.5	26.4	21.0	32.6	
December quarter 1981	26.2	16.1	37.7	17.4	26.0	20.5	25.6	24.6	
1982—									
October	20.8	11.9	37.3	17.3	27.8	16.9	52.7	21.7	
November	20.1	13.3	33.4	13.9	24.5	19.3	41.5	20.5	
December	35.9	28.4	42.1	22.7	32.2	27.1	34.1	33.3	
December quarter 1982	25.7	17.9	37.6	18.0	28.2	21.3	42.8	25.3	
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$' 000)									
1982—									
October	3,365	1,263	2,158	637	916	135	92	8,566	
November	3,028	1,414	1,865	478	769	153	72	7,779	
December	6,244	2,802	2,479	874	1,154	246	64	13,863	
December quarter 1982	12,637	5,479	6,502	1,990	2,839	535	229	30,211	

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.